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<b>UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL</b> <small>(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))</small>	Attorney Docket No.	190514-1010
	First Inventor	Skidmore
	Title	MASONRY UNITS WITH A MORTAR BUFFER
	Express Mail Label No.	EV 269253340 US

<b>APPLICATION ELEMENTS</b> <small>See MPEP Chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents</small>	<b>ADDRESS TO:</b> Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
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3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specification <small>(preferred arrangement set forth below)</small> [Total Pages <b>23</b> ] <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Descriptive title of the invention</li><li>- Cross Reference to Related Applications</li><li>- Statement Regarding Fed. Sponsored R&amp;D</li><li>- Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix</li><li>- Background of the Invention</li><li>- Brief Summary of the Invention</li><li>- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)</li><li>- Detailed Description</li><li>- Claim(s)</li><li>- Abstract of the Disclosure</li></ul>	a. <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Readable Copy (CRF) b. Specification Sequence Listing on: i. <input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Paper c. <input type="checkbox"/> Statements verifying identity of above copies
4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets <b>8</b> ]	<b>ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS</b> 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (cover sheet & Documents(s)) 10. <input type="checkbox"/> 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney 11. <input type="checkbox"/> English Translation Document (if applicable) 12. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 <input type="checkbox"/> Copies of IDS Citations 13. <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment 14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) <small>(Should be specifically itemized)</small> 15. <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) <small>(if foreign priority is claimed)</small> 16. <input type="checkbox"/> Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Unsigned Declaration of: David A. Skidmore</u>
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Prior application information: Examiner

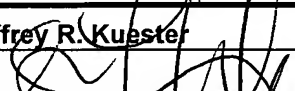
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)**1236****Complete If Known**

Application Number	Unassigned
Filing Date	Herewith
First Named Inventor	Skidmore
Examiner Name	Unassigned
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Attorney Docket No.	190514-1010

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**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity Fee Code	Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	750	2001	375	Utility Filing Fee	750
1002	330	2002	165	Design Filing Fee	
1003	520	2003	260	Plant Filing Fee	
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue Filing Fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional Filing Fee	
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>					<b>(\$750)</b>

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee From Below	Fee Paid
47	27	18.00	486
3	0	84.00	0
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Large Entity Fee Code	Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	84	2204	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
<b>SUBTOTAL (2)</b> (\$) <b>486</b>				

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1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge-late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	1,970	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
1402	320	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive-unavoidable	
1453	1,300	2453	650	Petition to revive-unintentional	
1501	1,300	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	470	2502	235	Design issue fee	
1503	630	2503	315	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee for provisional application	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	750	2809	375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810	750	2810	375	For each add. invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	750	2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited exam. of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

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Utility Patent Application Transmittal Page  
Fee Transmittal Page  
Utility Patent Application Consisting Of:  
16 Pages of Specification  
6 Pages of Claims (Claims 1-47)  
1 Page of Abstract  
8 Pages of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-8B)  
Unsigned Declaration of David A. Skidmore  
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Respectfully submitted,

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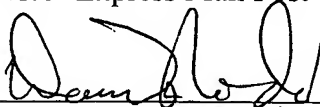
  
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